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5TH ANNUAL BIKE/WALK CONFERENCE SET FOR MAY 22
WATERVILLE VALLEY TO HOST SESSIONS ON BIKE/PED ISSUES

A keynote presentation on the proposed Salem to Concord Bikeway will highlight the 5th Annual Bike and Walk NH Conference, set for Thursday, May 22, 2003 in Waterville Valley.

Presented by the New Hampshire Department of Transportation and the Statewide Bicycle and Pedestrian Transportation Advisory Board, the conference is an opportunity to exchange ideas and develop visions for the future of bicycling and pedestrian facilities and practices in New Hampshire.

The Salem to Concord Bikeway is a proposed 40-mile transportation network for non-motorized users along the Salem to Concord transportation corridor. Public meetings were held in February and April of this year to solicit comments and ideas for developing the bikeway.

This year's conference will also include sessions on integrating bicycle and pedestrian issues into community planning, livable walkable communities, developing safe routes to school, pedestrian safety and crosswalks and bicycle advocacy.

The conference is open to all interested persons, including local and regional planners, lawmakers and local elected officials, police officers, civic organizations, school officials, and bicycle and pedestrian advocates. The daylong session (8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.) will take place at the Waterville Valley Conference Center and Resort.

For more information on the conference and the agenda, visit the NHDOT Bike/Ped website at www.nhbikeped.com or call Lou Barker at 271-6855.

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